

Suffragists Won't Let Women Decide at Polls If They'll Vote or Not

Mrs. Blatch Declares There's a Joker in Bill Offered at Albany, Because the Decision Rendered at Special Election Would Not Be Binding on the Legislature.

By Nikola Greeley-Smith.

Let the women vote on whether women shall vote or not. It won't change anything or accomplish anything, and it may keep them busy for a while.

Need I say that the suggestion comes from one of our learned legislators in Albany? It took the form yesterday of a bill introduced by Assemblyman Cotillo providing for a special election on the Monday preceding the general Election Day in 1916, at which women will be permitted to say whether or not they desire Woman Suffrage. The joker in the bill—in itself a joke—is, according to a despatch from Albany, the fact that "the women's decision need not necessarily be final."

"How ridiculous for women to be asked to vote on whether they shall vote or not, when under the Constitution of New York only the electors—that is, men—may pass on the question," said Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blatch, when I called her attention to the Cotillo measure yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Blatch, as everybody knows, is the daughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and one of the foremost Suffragists in the United States to-day.

"I should not care to express a detailed opinion on the Cotillo bill," she added, "until after I have read its provisions, but years ago Senator Bruckett introduced a similar measure and never dared press it to a conclusion because we showed the absurdity of asking women to express an opinion when, according to the Constitution, their opinion cannot count one way or the other."

SUFFRAGIST SECRETARY SURE OF A FAVORABLE VOTE.

"Speaking for myself," said Miss Hannah J. Patterson, Corresponding Secretary of the National Woman Suffrage Association, "I should be perfectly willing to permit the question of Suffrage to be submitted to the women of New York State, and should be perfectly confident of the result. But such an experiment would be foolish and expensive and hardly fair, since, knowing their votes would have no effect on the issue, a great many women would not take the trouble to vote."

"I think it is the most undemocratic thing I ever heard of!" exclaimed Mrs. Annie Nathan Meyer, author, playwright, founder of Barnard College and identified with the forces opposed to the enfranchisement of women. "Why can't the Suffragists accept the opinion of the overwhelming majority of the voters who declared against them in November?" she asked.

"But the Suffragists don't want this referendum. They are opposed to it," I interrupted Mrs. Meyer.

"Well, I'm opposed to it, too," Mrs. Meyer exclaimed. So, for a brief second, harmony brooded over the armed camps of the Suffragists and their opponents. "I'm opposed to it because I'm opposed to anything reviving this question, which should be considered settled for a few years anyhow. I think the Suffragist attitude in keeping up their agitation, in refusing to know when they are beaten, is opposed to all the principles of democracy on which they base their claims to the vote."

"Now I'm not a Democrat," Mrs. Meyer added, "but you Suffragists claim to be. Why can't you accept the opinion of the voters and keep quiet for awhile, at least? There you are, over in Washington, bothering Congress about a Federal Amendment, when Congress needs every moment of its time for more important things. Of course there could be no doubt of the result of such a referendum. It is only a matter of time before the decision made by the voters last November, since every man took the opinion of some woman before he voted."

Mrs. Meyer made the guilt of the Suffragists in refusing to know when they are licked so very personal that she seemed me. I did not dare say then what I suggest now—that since every man takes the opinion of some woman before he votes, why not let the women vote every other election after each of them has taken the opinion of some man? Harmony be-

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News Oddities

NONE OF ITS BUSINESS if boys smoke cigarettes on way to and from school, East Orange School Board decides.

PLEA IN POETRY for a man by Wellesley senior greatly disturbed college, but editor of girls' paper refused to tell author's name.

NINETY-POUND SQUAB, stuffed by prima donna, is to be served by Diamond Jim Brady to some friends at the Vanderbilt. It is an ostrich squab.

ODD LEGACY in Brooklyn woman's will is \$25 to Emma Jenkins, "promised her if she would make Marion's hair curl, and she did the best she could." Marion is seven.

NEW DAUGHTER of C. H. Buell, at Eastford, Conn., has two grandmothers, two grandfathers, three great grandmothers and one great-grandfather.

Russian Ballet, Expurgated, Now a Charming Treat

By Sylvester Rawling.

SERGE DE DIAGHILEFF'S Russian Ballet at the Century Theatre, scourged by the whip of criticism and threatened with intervention by the courts, is now become altogether admirable. Last night's performance, as all the performances might have been from the start if proper regard had been paid to American sensibilities as to decency, charmed a crowded house. The "Afternoon of a Faun," robbed of the closing objectionable feature of half-a-minute, was a delight and a treat. Besides, there were "L'Oiseau de Feu," "Les Sylphides," and the wild Tartar dance from "Prince Igor" to fascinate both eye and ear.

Paul T. era, the tenor, in the first of his "Instructive lecture recitals" at the Princess Theatre yesterday afternoon, was confronted by a sold-out house that was absorbed and altogether satisfied. Mr. Reimers has been besieged by personal requests for vocal instruction for which he could not find the time; so he evolved this compromise method of imparting by song and talk the value of interpretation, phrasing, enunciation and programme making. As soon as the announcement of his intention was made, Marie Kleckhoefer of the Music League of America, under the management of which Mr. Reimers is enlisted, was besieged with applications for tickets by students from all over New York and a vast contiguous territory. Only three of these recitals are announced, but it is probable that Mr. Reimers will have to add several more. His plain, informing talk, punctuated with reminiscence, wit and humor, as it was yesterday, in addition to the art with which he sang ballads and mad songs, was captivating to other than students.

The Flonzaley Quartet gave the second of its subscription concerts at Aeolian Hall last night before a crowded house such as it richly deserves for its playing, which is brilliant, and for its understanding and interpretation, which are scholarly. The programme comprised Schubert's quartet in A minor, Rega's trio for violin, viola and cello, and Beethoven's quartet in C major, the Rega number only unfamiliar, and each full of charm.

Louis Graveure, the baritone "Man of Mystery," gave a recital at Aeolian Hall yesterday afternoon. His programme embraced German lieder, old English songs, French songs, a cycle of Biblical songs by Dvorak, and modern English songs. He was altogether pleasing as to voice and art, and he was enjoyed by a large and enthusiastic audience. Especially fine were his expositions of Debussy's "De Sola" and Brahms' "Les Cygnes." Mr. Graveure had the valuable assistance of Conrad V. Hos as accompanist at the piano.

Jenny Dufan, coloratura soprano of the Chicago Opera Company, gave a delightful recital at the Harris Theatre yesterday afternoon, to which her accompanist at the piano, Charles Larvey, contributed not a little. She sang in English, French, Italian and German with equal fluency and grace of enunciation. She ended with a

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cells. Every trend of prison reform is toward the farm system. But a huge prison building with big blocks of steel cells means more money to spend. "And look at the site—the Wingate property site. Why, they were first going to build the prison in a swamp. "I have heard that the Wingate site is so popular in some quarters because certain parties have purchased land around that would necessarily be bought up by the State if the Wingate site is accepted."

APPLY SAGE TEA IF HAIR IS GRAY

Grandma Used Sage Tea and Sulphur to Darken Her Hair and Nobody Knew.

The use of Sage and Sulphur for restoring faded, gray hair to its natural color dates back to grandmother's time. She used it to keep her hair beautifully dark, glossy and abundant. Whenever her hair fell out or took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect.

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OSBORNE HINTS GRAFT IN NEW PRISON SYSTEM

Tells Brooklyn League Wingate Site Building Opens Way for Huge Extravagance in Building.

At the conclusion of a speech recounting his prison experiences, before the Municipal League of Brooklyn, at its dinner in the Hotel Imperial, Manhattan, last night, ex-Warden Osborne said to 400 men and women:

"Watch the Legislature. There are big influences, local and national, to make that new state prison that is to be built as expensive as it can be made. There are influences against the farm system of prison. They want to build a huge castle, with great blocks of steel

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Main Floor

Annual Hosiery Sale
For Men, Women and Children

Thousands of pairs of hosiery, silk, fibre silk, cotton or mercerized, are collected for this sale and priced very low indeed. Sale continues throughout the week.

Men's fibre silk, mercerized lisle, in cashmere, half hose, seconds of much higher priced lines, in black, white and colors, pair, 9c.

Men's fibre silk half hose in black, white and a variety of colors. Have reinforced heels and double soles, pair, 14c.

Men's pure thread silk half hose, reinforced heels and double toes, many accented ribbed and with silk clocking, pair, 23c.

Women's mercerized lisle hose, garter tops, in black, white and colors, seconds of higher-priced grades, pair, 9c.

Women's mercerized lisle thread hose, double soles, reinforced heels and toes, in black or white, 14c.

Women's boot style fibre silk hose in black and a variety of colors, pair, 17c.

Main Floor

Umbrellas Re-covered, 74c
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Two Notable Events Add Importance to the Thursday Thrift Sale

They are the February Sale of Furniture and the Midwinter Sale of Household Utilities. Each of them provides some very excellent offerings for the Thursday Thrift Sale. But every other section of the Store Accommodating has devised some particularly good way of making your money go a little further than usual in buying the things you want, as this fine list of Thursday Specials shows:

WOMEN'S STREET DRESSES, \$7.98

Made of French serge or gabardine. A variety of stylish models cut on smart lines and well tailored. Some models finished with silk collars and vestee; others with fancy silk braid and buttons or chenille embroidery; assortment of street colors. Sizes 34 to 44.

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WOMEN'S SUITS AT \$7.50

Reduced from \$16.50 to \$19.75. There are 179 Suits in the collection—all late Winter models at present being worn by well-dressed women.

A great many are entirely suitable for Spring wear.

In black and navy blue wool poplin, gabardine, serge and a few mixtures. Sizes 32 to 40. None C. O. D. or on approval.

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WOMEN'S COATS AT \$5.75

All favored models of the season—secured in a maker's clearance at decidedly below their intrinsic worth.

The assortment contains blue, black and brown chevrons, boucles, Bedford cords, mixtures in grays and tans, wool plush checks in smart combinations of colors.

Many are fur-collared and lined. Sizes 34 to 42. Second floor, central, Central Building.

WOMEN'S TAILORED SKIRTS, \$1.98

Made of navy blue and black serges, also smart shepherd checks; fashioned in four new Spring models; yoke effects; pockets and belts; all size waist bands from 23 to 34 inches; lengths, 38 to 42 inches. Store orders only.

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A splendid wearing shoe of gun-metal, lace style with strongly sewed soles of solid leather; these Shoes will stand all the hard wear possible. Sizes 1 to 5 1/2; widths, C, D and E.

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\$2.00 PRINCESS and R. G. CORSETS, 98c

R. G. for average figure; blue brocade.

Princess Corset for stout figures; white coutil.

\$3.00 W. B. Nuform Corsets, \$1.49

Average figure model. Made of white stripe batiste, trimmed with lace, supporters attached.

\$1.50 La Modette Corsets, 79c

For average figure. Medium high bust model; fullness at top of waist; well boned; made of white coutil; six wide hose supporters attached.

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WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR, 19c GARMENT

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WOMEN'S 98c. GLOVES AT 69c PAIR

Stock-taking clearance of various styles in which size assortments are incomplete and in which some are slightly soiled through handling. White, black, colored kid and cape Gloves. Most of the Gloves have sold for . . . 98c.

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MEN'S WINTER OVERCOATS, \$14.75

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\$2.50 BEDROOM CHAIRS, \$1.50

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